

# ICS 451: Today's plan

- Sockets API, continued
  - C
  - Windows
- C programming reminders

# Socket API in C: server calls

- `listen` makes a socket a server socket

```
int listen(int sockfd, int queue);
```

- Use a small value such as 5 for the queue size

- `Bind` selects a local port

- do check that the return value is 0

```
sin.sin_family = AF_INET;
```

```
sin.sin_port = htons (server_port_number);
```

```
sin.sin_addr = INADDR_ANY;
```

```
if (bind(sockfd, (struct sockaddr *) (&sin),  
        sizeof (sin)) != 0) perror ("bind");
```

# Socket API in C: binding with IPv6

```
struct sockaddr_in6 sin6;  
  
sin6.sin6_family = AF_INET6;  
  
sin6.sin6_port = htons (server_port_number);  
  
sin6.sin6_addr = in6addr_any;  
  
if (bind(sockfd, (struct sockaddr *) (&sin6),  
        sizeof (sin6)) != 0) perror ("bind v6");
```

# Socket API in C: server accept

- **accept** creates new sockets from server socket

```
int accept(int sockfd, struct sockaddr * peer,  
           socklen_t * addrlen);
```

- The return value (if  $\geq 0$ ) can be used with **send** and **recv**
- The memory that *peer* points to is filled with the peer's address, up to *\*addrlen* bytes
- Then *\*addrlen* is set to the size of the address

# Socket API in C: close

- **close** closes a server or client socket

```
int close (int fd);
```

- **shutdown** can be used to declare that we will stop reading from or writing to a socket

```
int shutdown (int sockfd, int how);
```

- how is **SHUT\_RD** or **SHUT\_WR**  
(**SHUT\_RDWR** is equivalent to **close**)

# Socket API in C: send/recv

- **send** sends a buffer on a connected socket

```
int send (int fd, char * buffer, int len, int f);
```

- Returns the number of bytes sent
- Flags (f) will normally be 0

- **recv** receives data from a connected socket

```
int recv (int fd, char * buffer, int len, int f);
```

- Returns the number of bytes received ( $\leq$  len)
  - or 0 if the socket was closed
- Flags (f) will normally be 0

# Socket API in C: sendto/recvfrom

- Used on unconnected (UDP) sockets

```
int sendto (int fd, char* buffer, int len, int f,  
           struct sockaddr* to, socklen_t alen);
```

- Similar to **send**, but takes address

- **recv** receives data from a connected socket

```
int recvfrom(int fd, char* buffer, int len, int f,  
            struct sockaddr* a, socklen_t* alen);
```

- Address and alen filled in as for accept

# Sockets API on Windows

- Windows requires a call to **WSAStartup** prior to using the sockets API
  - Parameters are the version of the latest Winsock DLL that is acceptable, and a data structure to be filled with information about the implementation in use
- Must use **closesocket** instead of **close**
- May call **WSACleanup** after finishing
- May have to `#include <sys/socket.h>`



# C programming reminders

- Character arrays have a fixed size, cannot grow or shrink
- Pointers have to point somewhere
  - Where are your pointers pointing?
- Use `strncpy` (or `snprintf`) in preference to `strcpy`
- Strings are null-terminated
  - data received from the network usually is not
- A null character is different from a null pointer!

# Exercise: spot the bugs

```
char * a = NULL;
*a = 'x';
char b [1000];
a = b + 10;
strncpy (a, "foo", sizeof (a));
int n = recv (s, a, strlen (a), 0);
a [n] = '\0';
return a;
```

# Exercise: write C code

- Declare two `char` arrays, `str1` of size 555 and `str2` of size 10
  - You should use constants for the array sizes
  - Be sure that you declare the constants!
- Receive a string from socket `sock` into `str1`
  - `sock` is already connected
- Make `str1` into a string and print it
- Copy the first part of `str1` into `str2`
- Make `str2` into a string